Legislative Council
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North Dakota Legislative Management

Tentative Agenda

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WATER DRAINAGE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, December 8, 2021
Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol
Bismarck, North Dakota

9:00 a.m.	Call to order Roll call Presentation by Senator Kevin Cramer, North Dakota, regarding the federal Waters of the United States legislation and regulations, and wetlands easements
9:30 a.m.	Presentation by Ms. Andrea Travnicek, Director, Department of Water Resources, regarding resources of the department available for potential roles in management of drainage
9:50 a.m.	Consideration of the minutes of the July 21, 2021, meeting
9:55 a.m.	Comments from committee's citizen members regarding concerns and input from represented groups
10:20 a.m.	Presentation by Ms. Claire Ness, Senior Counsel and Code Revisor, Legislative Council, regarding timelines for appeals procedures
10:35 a.m.	Committee discussion of procedures to appeal water resource board decisions
11:15 a.m.	Presentation by Dr. Duane Pool, Natural Resource Economist, Department of Water Resources, regarding calculating costs and benefits
11:35 a.m.	Committee discussion regarding methods for assessing the cost of a project in relation to the benefits received and a recommendation of a method to ensure the cost to a landowner does not exceed the benefit to the landowner
11:55 a.m.	Recess
12:55 p.m.	Continue committee discussion regarding costs and benefits
1:45 p.m.	Committee discussion regarding amendments to the North Dakota Century Code to eliminate redundancy and conflicts and to provide for uniform assessment procedures for all water projects
3:00 p.m.	Committee directives to Legislative Council staff
3:15 p.m.	Adjourn

A livestream of the meeting will be available to the public at: https://video.legis.nd.gov.

Committee Members

Senators: Larry Luick (Chairman), Kathy Hogan, Ronald Sorvaag
Representatives: Dennis Johnson, David Monson, Marvin E. Nelson
Citizen Members: Jeff Frith, Clif Issendorf, Richard Johnson, Sharon Lipsh, Randy Melvin

Staff Contact: Claire Ness, Senior Counsel and Code Revisor